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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL. LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. O. George THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C.

SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. PARIS AND EUROPE :- GALLIEN & PRINOR, 36, Rue Lafayette, Puris. NEW YORK:--ANDREW WIND, 21, Park

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SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.:—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. Heinszen & Co., Manila. OHINA .- Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELLO

& Co. Swatow, Quelch & Co. Amoy, Wilson, Nicholls & Co. Foochow, Hedge & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & Walse. Yokohama, Line, Craw-FORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....\$7,500,000 RESERVE FUND,.....\$4,400,000 RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION \ \$ 400,000 OF DIVIDENDS,.... RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO- \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-A. P. McEwen, Esq. Deputy Chairman-Hon. F. D. Sassoon. C. D. BOTTOMLEY, M. GROTE, Esq. H. Hoppius, Esq. H. L. DALBYMPLE, Hon. W. KESWICK. A. Molven, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. M. E. SASSOON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong,.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, Ewen Cameron, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS. - London and County Bank. HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

N Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. For Fixed Deposits:-For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

4 per cent. " 5 per cent. LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Oredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

Chief Manager. Hongkong, August 25, 1884.

T. JACKSON,

NOTICE.

TOULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year.

4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations. of trusts, &c., in addition to the deposi-5.—Persons desirons of saving sums less

than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar. *6.--Depositors in the Savings' Bank having

\$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest. 7 Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Bongkong

Postage Stamps of any values. 8.—Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances,

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.-Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in The accommodation and service of every Hongkong and China.

11. -Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book 12:-All documents connected with the

business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty. For the

HONGRONG & SHANGHAL BANKING CORPORATION. T. JACKSON.

Chief Manager,

Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

TITH Reference to the above, BUSI-V NESS will be Commenced on the ist May, 1884.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAT BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON,

Ohief Manager.

Bank.

CORPORATION, LIMITED. Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884,

under the Compaines Acts 1862, to 1883.) LONDON BANKERS: UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON. DATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-At 3 months' notice 3 % per Annum.

Current Accounts kepts on Torms which may be learnt on application. J. MELVILLE MATSON,

Manager. Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

> Notices of Firms. NOTICE,

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. ARTHUR SMITH in our Firms at Canton and Foochow CEASED on 22nd August, 1884.

BIRLEY & Co. Canton, 1st January, 1885. NOTICE.

HAVE Admitted Mr. NOORMA-HOMED JAIRAZBHOY PEER-BHOY, as a PARTNER in my Firms, carried on at Bombay, Hongkong and Shanghai, in my own Name, from Kartak Sood 1st Sawant Year, 1941 (19th October, 1884), and the said Firms will henceforth be designated and carried on under the Style of 'JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co.'

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY. Bombay, November 10, 1884.

NOTICE. WITH Reference to the above, Mr. JAFFERBHOY KHETSEY is au-

thourised to Sign our Firms in China from this date. JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co. Hongkong, December 8, 1884.

NOTICE. THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of 1 Mr. FREDERIO DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China and elsewhere Ceasen on the 30th June list. RUSSELL & Co.

China, 1st January, 1885. NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the Undersigned CEASES This Day by Mutual Consent, and with this Notice the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE is DISSOLVED.

WILLIAM LEGGE. E. JONES HUGHES.

Hongkong, January 1, 1885. NOTICE.

DEFERRING to the Notice of the DIS. SOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-& LEGGE, I will Continue the Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER in my own Name from this date.

WILLIAM LEGGE.

Hongkong, January 1, 1885. NOTICE.

WING to the DISSOLUTION of the - Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, 1 will Continue the Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER and AUCTIONEER in my own Name from this date.

E. JONES HUGHES. Hongkong, January 1, 1885.

Intimations.

OSI, on the Evening of ST. GEORGE'S BALL, A NEW ULSTER COAT (dark cloth) Any information regarding above will be thankfully received by Owner.

Apply China Mail Office. Hongkong, January 2, 1885.

VICTORIA HOTEL Praya and Queen's Road Central. Hongkong.

THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, dc., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now

one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner suited to the requirements of the Far

kind will be found to be of the best des-An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall.

The Hotel also contains handsome and comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms. The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Masses. DORABJEE and HING KEE, PROPERZIONS. Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANIA NAVIERA DE FILIPINAS OF MANILA are requested to communicate with the Undersigned DUNN, MELBYE & Co.

Hongkong, December 13, 1884, Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

HILDREN'S PAINT BOXES. New MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS.

> PATENT GLASS BUTTERS. NYE'S KNIFE-CLEANING MACHINE. New CHAMPAGNE NIPPERS.

For Sale.

RODGERS' POCKET KNIVES AND SCISSORS. POST-OFFICE LETTER SCALES.

> CHUBB'S LOCKS AND BOXES. OPERA AND FIELD GLASSES.

"WALDECK" WATER-PROOF CLOAKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, January 7, 1885.

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters, QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

HATS.

A large assortment of Christy's Felt Hats, always in Stock in all the newest styles.

CLOTHING. Tweeds. Coatings.

SHIRTS. Trouserings. Serges. Flannels.

our arrangements we can now make to order White Dress Shirts, equal to home manufacture.

HOSIERY, SCARFS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, BOOTS AND SHOES.

Hongkong, January 6, 1885.

EX STEAMSHIP GLENCOE. ADIES' BLACK SPUN SILK JERSEYS. LADIES' BLACK SILK JERSEY GLOVES. LADIES' LIGHT-COLOURED SILK JERSEY GLOVES. BLACK SPANISH LACE FLOUNCING for Evening Dresses, 30 inches wide. LADIES' BLACK LISLE THREAD HOSE. A few NOVELTIES in LADIES' EVENING SHOES.

Best Quality EAU DE COLOGNE. GENTLEMEN'S TENNIS SHOES, all sizes. GENTLEMEN'S PRIMROSE AND WHITE KID GLOVES, 2 Buttons. N.B.—The Primrose Kid Gloves for Gentlemen are a speciality for evening wear. In accordance with the usual custom our Store will be Closed on New Year's Day W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 29, 1884.

Intimations.

PANY, LIMITED.

DEBENTURE LOAN FOR \$140,000. COUPONS for INTEREST falling due Instant until the 8th Proximo, both days

on 31st December, 1884, will be Paid inclusive. on Presentation at the Office of the Hong-KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Hongkong, on and after that date. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents. Hongkong, December 31, 1884.

NOTICE. TTHE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co having taken over the NAGASAKI

DOCK, SLIP and ENGINEERING WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and REPAIR VESSELS, at moderate terms. The DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 89 feet broad, and having a depth of water on blocks at spring tides of 27 feet and neap tides 22 feet.

The SHOPS contain Machine-tools of all descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest class of work can be undertaken at the shortest Powerful lifting SHEARS are being

For further Particulars, apply to H. J. H. TRIPP,

Hongkong, December 18, 1884. NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-TION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquidaors of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited. HOLDERS of Notes will be required to Furnish to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank,

a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Lesue, Number and Amount of each Note Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the Office of the Offental Bank CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong. For the

OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR OF THE OBJECTAL BANK CORPORATION, By his Attorneys, J. MELVILLE MATSON, H. HOWARD TAYLOR. Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, 22, PRAYA CENTRAL MOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS

MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, CORK JACKETS, &c., &o., &o.

Intimations.

BLACK AND COLOURED RIBBOUS all widths.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COM PANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company

will be CLOSED from the 23rd

HENRY R. H. MARTIN, Manager.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884. NOTICE.

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

TN Accordance with Clauses 47 and 99 of the Company's Articles of Association. EXTRAORDINARY MEETING SHAREHOLDERS to be held at the Hongkong Hours, is hereby Convened for TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, at 3 o'Clock p.m., when a full attendance is requested.

By Order, WILLIAM LEGGE, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, January 2, 1885.

D. K. GRIFFITH & Co. ANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON ÆRATED WATERS.

Have REMOVED from the BEACONSFIELD ARCADE to larger Premises 1, DUDDELL STREET, Where they continue to Supply: WATER. LEMONADE,

Tonic GINGERADE. RASPBERRYADE, SELTZER SARSAPARILLA: &c., &c., &c. At the same Moderate Charges. D. K. GRIFFITH,

Proprietor. Hongkong, July 28, 1884.

Has been applied to AYER'S PILLS, and they have borne it well. For more than forty years they have had a world-wide popularity, rivaled by no other purgative medicine.

AFER'S Pills do not induce constiputive renetton, or have a weakening effect, common
faults of other enthanties, but theroughly yet
mildly cleanse the bowels, and stimulate and
strengthen all the digestive and assimilatory

Cure Indigestion and Constipution, and pre-vent many severe and often futal maladies caused by those disorders.

For Stomach, Liver, and Kidney discases—
symptoms of which are Skin Disorders,
Burning and Weight in the Stomach,
Nausea, Dizziness, Headaches, Foul
Breath, Bilious Fever and Colle, Pains
in the stomach, side, and back, Dropsical
Swellings, etc.—there is no relief so prompt
and certain as Ayen's Press. They are of
great service in the cure of Piles. great service in the cure of Piles.

As a household remedy they have no equal.

Many a big doctor a bill has been saved by a timely dose of Arma's l'ills. PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Agents for -HONGRONG, CHINA AND MANILA. A. S. WATSON & Co.

Bold by all Druggists.

FOR SALE.

ULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Quarts\$20 per Case of 1 doz. Pints.....\$21 in Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s -BORDEAUX CLARETS AND

For Sale.

WHITE WINES Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Bree' WHISKY,--\$73 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

SEE WOO, TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER, No. 55, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong HAS NOW LANDING, FOR SALE: A LL Kinds of AUTUMN and WINTER A WOOLLEN CLOTHS. DAMASK, REP, and CRETONNES for Curtains and Covering Furniture. CHRISTY'S Gentlemen's New Zephyr Black, Drab, and Brown FELT HATS. All Sorts of Fancy and Black SILK SCARVES, TIES, White DRESS TIES. WOOLLEN WRAPPERS, Coloured and White KID GLOVES: WOOLLEN and MERINO UNDER SUITS and SOCKS. White TABLE CLOTHS, NAPKINS SILK &CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS and TOWELS. Best Kinds of TOILET PERFUMES and SOAPS. DAWSON'S BOOTS, SHOOTING BOOTS,

FOR SALE.

Hongkong, October 25, 1884.

SHOES and TENNIS SHOES, &c., &c.

AT LOW PRICES.

Having completed OURSE, DISTANCE, AVERAGE SPEED TABLES, LONDON, via THE SUEZ CANAL, India, China, Japan, &c.,

> VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES, W. A. GULLAND. To be obtained at the

'OHINA MAIL' OFFICE. Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. " FALCONER & Co. Hongkong, September 2, 1884.

FOR SALE.

EXTRA FINE QUALITY FRENCH BUTTER, BRAND 'DUC DE NORMANDIE, —THE OLDEST BUTTER

PACKING ESTABLISHMENT IN NORMANDY. TN 11b tine and Cases of 48 tine each. Sold in Quantities of not less than one dozen tins, at \$6 per Dozen. Reduction made to Purchasers of one ase and upwards.

G. R. LAMMERT, Sole Agent. Hongkong, October 4, 1884.

FOR SALE. MINERVA-BRUNNEN

DELICIOUS NATURAL MINERAL WATER in Cases of 96 Pints @......\$7.00. 48 Quarts @.....\$6.00. Apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 10, 1884. . 1897

FOR SALE. BORROUGHES & WATTS' SOLID MAHOGANY BILLIARD TABLE Complete with Cues, Pool, Pyramid, &c., BALLS, MARKING BOARD, RESTS, EXTRA Сюти, &с., &с. Just arrived per Glenfalloch.

Hongkong, November 4, 1884. NOW PUBLISHED. DUDDHISM: ITS HISTORICAL. D THEORETICAL AND POPULAR

ASPECTS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

ERNEST J. EITEL, PH.D., TUBING. THIRD EDITION. REVISED, WITH ADDITIONS. Price, - - - \$1.50. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, August 20, 1884. To Let.

TO LET. THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 3E, climates. CAINE ROAD. Possession from 1st January, 1885.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1884.

TO LET. COLLEGE CHAMBERS' (late Hotel DE L'UNIVERS), Single ROOMS or SUITES OF APARTMENTS. Nos. 4 and 18, HOLLYWOOD ROAD. No. 25B, PRAYA CENTRAL, No. 44, GRAHAM STREET.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hougkong, December 24, 1884.

STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE in Commodious and well ventilated GODOWNS on his New Premises in DUDDELL STREET, next to the ORIENTAL G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, December 27, 1884.

Shipping. Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports

on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on 1187 FRIDAY, the 9th Instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, January 5, 1885. SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. Breconshire,
RICKARD, Commander,
expected here on or about The Steamship the 9th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, January 3, 1885. FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Steamer

Captain Blanco, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, a For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship Captain BATT, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th January.

Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, December 30, 1884.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Cassandra,
Captain Lindemann, will
be despatched as above on or about the 10th January, 1885.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, December 15, 1884.

UNION LINE. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship Capt. CHANDLER, due on or about the 7th January

next, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, December 31, 1884.

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship Zambesi will leave for the above place on MONDAY, 12th January, at 3 p.m.

A. McIVER, Superintendent. . & O. S. N. Co. s Office. Hongkong, January 2, 1885. FOR SHANGHAL Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates

for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports

on the YANGTSZE.) The Steamship Capt. MacKinlay, will be despatched as above on or about the 13th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 6, 1885.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. -The Co.'s Steamship Captain Davies, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 17th Instant, This Steamer has superior First-class

Passenger Accommodation specially con-

structed to meet the requirements of tropical

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, January 5, 1885. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

The Steamship

The Steamship
Arratoon Apear,
Capt. A. B. MacTavish,
will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

CALCUTTA.

Hongkong, January 5, 1885. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Captain Sommers, will be despatched as above on or about the 17th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January S, 1886.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 100 A 1 British Ship Western Monarca,
ERICHSEN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE ITHE Company's S.S. Taisang having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees'

risk and expense. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hougkong, January 3, 1885.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

DHES.S. Arratoon Apear having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

none will be entertained after the 13th Instant. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

Consignees are hereby informed that all

Claims must be made immediately, as

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. MONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery.

This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Ex Natal. M Y No. 29, one case from Marseilles

Consigned to Order. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, December 13, 1884. Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY. THE Undersigned are prepared to accept

Risks on First Class Godowns at 1

NOTICE.

per cent. net premium per annum. NORTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881. NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates. GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTEP OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Corporation are

prepared to grant Insurances as follows :---Marine Department. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. Life Department. Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE.)

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

CAPITAL, Two MILLIONS STEELING. THE Undersigned are prepared to grant POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-

first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single For Rates of Pramiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ceived, and transmitted to the Directors

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Cunton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867. THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-

prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, November 5, 1883.

for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on

PANY, LIMITED. MHE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are

might have been used as a lever to ge-

very much better terms than could othert

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. No. 53, Queen's Road East, (OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT),

ARENOW LANDING FROM AMERICA.

LIRESH ROLL BUTTER. TOPOCAN Eastern and Californian CHEESE. CODFISH, Boncless. Prime HAMS and BACON. Eagle Brand Condensed MILK. Family BEEF in 25 th kegs. Boau Ideal SALMON in 5 to cans. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 21 th cans. Assorted Canned VEGETABLES. Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage

Stuffed PEPPERS. Assorted SOUPS. Richardson & Robbin's Colebrated Potter MEATS. Lambs' TONGUES. Clam CHOWDER Fresh OREGON SALMON. Dried APPLES.

MEAT.

SUCCOTASH: Maple SYRUP. Goldon SYRUP. Cracked WHEAT. HOMINY. HONEY. Queen OLIVES.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

DEVOE'S NONPAREIL

'KAISAR-I-HIND'

CIGARETTES in crystallized Boxes of 100 at \$6.50 per mille.

SPORTING AND RIFLE GUNPOWDER in 1-H Tins.

AGATE IRON WARE. INSERTION RUBBER. TUCK'S PATENT PACKIN

HOLMES' DISTRESS SIGNALS. HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMPS. PERFECTION STUDENT LAMI'S.

PAINTS and OllS. TALLOW and TAR. PITCH and ROSIN.

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CHRISTMAS CAKES. PLUM PUDDING. MINCE MEAT. CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

> PUDDING RAISINS. CURRANTS. FIGS. CANDIED PEEL.

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PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

ALMONDS and RAISINS. FRENCH PLUMS. TEYSSONEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.

JORDON ALMONDS.

COOKING STOVES.

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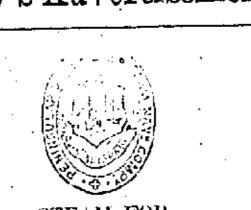
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS, January 6, 1885 :---Elsa, German steamer, 552, Ch. Kuschert, Haiphong January 4, Rice .- A. R. MARTY.

January 7:-Peking, British steamer, 954, Houermann, Shanghai January 4, General.-Siemssen

Celebes, Dutch steamer, 1,426, Grebo de Haan, Amoy January 6, General .- JAR-DINE, MATHESON & Co. . Fokien, British steamer, 509, G. Westoby. Swatow January 6, General. - Douglas

STRAMSHIP CO. Yangtsze, British steamer, from Wham-

Kiang-ping, American steamer, from Whampoa, British steamer, 1,109, J. E. Williams, Sydney December 10, Brisbane

13. Thursday Island 22, and Port Darwin 26. General.—Butterfield & Swing. Spinaway, British 3-m. schooner, 325, . Garrick, Freemantle via Batavia Nov. 20. Sandalwood.—Siemssen & Co.

DEPARTURES. January 7:-Queen of England, for Bangkok. Chintung, for Shanghai. Albany, for Hiogo. Peking, for Whampoa.

Douglas, for Coast Ports.

CLEARED. P. N. Blanchard, for Iloilo. Paul Jones, for Iloilo. Orient, for Bangkok. Celebes, for Saigon. Ingraban, for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. Per Elsa, from Haiphong, 2 Chinese. Per Peking, from Shanghai, 84 Chinese. Per Celcbes, from Amoy, 176 Chinese. Per Fokien, from Swatow, 80 Chinese. Per Whampon, from Sydney, &c., Capta loung and Beeston, Mr E. W. Thomas, 3 European women, 14 children, 1 Malay,

and 160 Chinese. DEPARTED. Per Douglas, for Swatow, Mr John Hervey, Lieuts. W. H. Connolly and A. T.

Patterson. Per Queen of England, for Bangkok, 2 Per Chintung, for Shanghai, 12 Chinese.

TO DEPART. Per P. N. Blanchard, for Iloilo, 1 Euro-Per Paul Jones, for Iloilo, 2 Europeaus. Per Celebes, for Saigon, 53 Chinese.

-SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Peking reports: Experienced light Northerly winds, cloudy weather to Lammock Islands with light vari-

able wind; afterwards with fog, from Pedro Blanco to port. The British steamer Fokien reports: Had light variable winds with passing showers and thick foggy weather. Steamers in port at the time of leaving were Phru Cham Klao, Seeno, and H.B.M.S. Merlin. The British steamer Whampoa reports: Had light N.E. wind to Brisbane Straits from there to Mindoro had strong North

Easterly winds and cloudy weather; thence to port light N. Easterly winds and fine CARGOES. Per S. S. Westmeath, sailed on 27th Dec.

1884 :- For New York, 1,509 rolls Matting, 24 pkgs. Silks, 845 pkgs. Fire Crackers and Per S. S. Flintshire, sailed on 1st Jan

1885 :- For London, 235 rolls Matting and The publication of this issue commenced

263 pkgs. Canes. POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKO-HAMA.— Per Teheran, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 8th January, 1885.

For SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA. --Per Celeb s, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 8th inst. For SWATOW .-

Per Fokien, at 5 p.m., on Thursday,

the 8th inst. For SHANGHAL-Per Kwongsang, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 9th inst. For PORT DARWIN, THURSDA

ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWN-

SVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & the collision at Langson. Up to that MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, &c.-Per Airlie, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, time, though there was much to criticize in their mode of action in Tonquin, the the 10th January. policy of the French Ministry was at For STRAITS AND BOMBAY .--Per Zambesi, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday,

the 12th inst. For STRAITS AND CALCUTTA .-Per Taising, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 17th inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET .-The United States Mail Packet City of United Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows :---= 2.15 P.M. Registry ceases.

pondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet Yangisé will be despatched on TUESDAY India (via Modras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLUSING THE FRENCH MAIL The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the French Contract Packet :-Day before departure (or Saturday if the departure be on Monday),-

open out of Office hours. Day of departure,— A.M. -Post Office opens. A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 11 A.M. -- Mails closed, except for Late

Post Office closes, except the

Night Box, which is always

11.10 A.M.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until

Fee of 10 cents until time of departure,

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping. Noon, - Celebes leaves for Batavia, &c.

General Memoranda TUESDAY, January 13:-

3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel. Claims against the Arratoon Apear must be made on or before this date.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

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Zar The delivery of the China Mail is commenced from the Office as soon after 7 p.m. as is practicable, and it should be completed in the upper terraces at should send in complaints to the -come-to-our-knowledge the bouse scrvants leave the papers lying about in their quarters for a time after they are delivered. Subscribers living at the Peak or at Kowloon can obtain their papers at this Office at 6 a.m., from their compradores, to whom, on request, they will be sent over night. As the publication of the China Mail takes place much earlier than formerly its delivery at the extreme Eastern and

Western limits of the Colony should be completed at a reasonable hour in

the evening. BIRTHS. At Shanghai, on the 1st January, the Wife of F. S. OLIVEIRA, of a Daughter.

At Shanghai, on the 2nd January, the Wife of ADAN LIND, of a Daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1885.

at 7.05 v:m.

LOOKING back over the history of the Franco-Chinese question for the past twelve months one is strongly compelled to the conclusion that there has been in the councils of the French Government some ruling spirit whose main object was to force on a war of aggression against China at all hazards. Either that, or the affair has been most lamentably mismanaged. We need not go far-

ther back for our present purpose than

least intelligible. They had undertaken to put down anerchy in that country and they were bound to carry through. And it was incumbent on them to show the Chinese that they would not be thwarted in that object by the secret assistance which the latter undoubtedly rendered from the first to Rio de Janeiro will be despatched on Liu Jung Foo and the Black Flags.

FRIDAY, the 9th January, with The contrast of South and Receipt ac-The capture of Sontai and Bacninh accomplished that part of the programme, and when, soon afterwards, the trenty of Tientsin practically left the whole of 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Corres- Tononin in their hands, it was felt by the press in China, and we believe by Europe generally, that the course adopted by the French Ministers had been throughout dignified and sugacious. The acquisition of a large territory, with a border conterminous to that of China the 13th January, with Mails to the over several hundred miles, was a frize United Kingdom, Europe, and places sufficiently valuable to satisfy their beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits amour propre and might be held to justify Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the steps taken to enforce the somewhat shaky legal basis on which their claim rested. At any rate the prize was in their hands, and being satisfied that the country would be safer, more prosperous and happy under French rule that it ever had been under native the world would soon have forgotten its mode of acquisition. So far, we say the action of France carried with it on the whole the approval of the great majority of the foreign residents in the East, and even the London Press, 5. P.M. - Money Order Office closes. which throughout had been unsparing in

Ferry had scored a decided success. happened since the unfortunate Langson affair. If the French Ministers had been simply desirous of consolidating their new dominion in Tonquin, and establishing a satisfactory modus vicendi March Frisch ins Feld, Strauss. with their neighbour China, they could hardly have found a better opportunity 11.30 A.M. - When the Post Office closes than that incident threw into their hands. . A rough draft of settlement 11.40 A.M. Late Letters may be posted had been agreed upon, but all the deon board the packet with Late tails had to be arranged, and, if they Gazor A Grandes Guides, ... Etterieu. had so wished, the Langson attack

its ridicule, was forced to admit that

wise have been got. When the newof this incident reached France, exuga gerated as it was with charges of deliberate treachery, the Ministers were of course bound-to demand an explanation. We do not for a moment defend the course which the Chinese Government adopted at this critical time. Their disavowal was tandy and ambiguous, but still it must soon have become apparent to the French Government that there was no ground for charging the Peking authorites with having deliberately planned the attack in defiunce of the recently concluded Tientein Treaty. And, further, the Government must soon have been in possession of information showing that not only were the first reports of the occurrence exaggerated, but that their own officials had not been free from blame. What the Chinese in effect said was-there has been a mistake and a misunderstanding; we have suffered as well as you; let us wipe it all out and begin at once at the Tientsin Treaty which we are ready now to fulfil, and as an earnest of that we have already given orders to withdraw the whole of our troops from Tonquin. We confess we fail to see why the French Ministers, assuming that their object was simply the pacification of Tonquin. did not close with that offer. They were not materially in any worse position by the Langson attack. They had not suffered any particular loss by that affair which would justify the demand for an indemnity. They had the moral right on their side, and they might have held that in abeyance, without prejudice to their demand for satisfaction, pending the ratification of the definitive Treaty. If they should fail to got satisfactory terms they could

more favourable to trade and friendly intercourse than they have been since, or are likely to be for a long time. By rejecting the Chinese proposals, except upon conditions humiliating to China. that is upon payment of an indemnity about 8.30 p.m. Subscribers frequently out of all proportion to the loss, the receiving their paper after this time French Ministry, or Jules Ferry, or whoever is the leading spirit among them, Manager. In some cases which have has shown, as we said, that the main object now is not the settlement of Tunum but a serious war with China, and lossibly the dismemberment of the And since negotiations were broken off, operations have seemingly been so conducted as inevitably to lead to that end. The majority of the French nation, as we know, are averse to a war with China. The country would certainly not support the Ministry if they were to go to the Chambers and propose an expedition to Peking of 40,000 or 50,000 mea. But as if to involve the nation in war whether it will or no, the Ministry are

always fall back on the Langson attack,

but we are perfectly sure the Chinese

would then, frightened as they were

with the indemnity claim hanging over

them, have been prepared to grant terms

keeping small badies of troops, both in Formosa and Tonquin, in positions where we may hear any day they have been overwhelmed by superior numbers of Chinese and massacred to a man. It is in view of this position that we affirm either the French Ministry are deliberately planning to involve their country in war, or they are lamentably unfit for their duties. If they meant simply, in attacking Formosa, to hold it as a guarantee, they should before beginning have had at hand such a landing force as would have effectually seized and kept it. But to attempt so much with such feeble means as they now have on the spot is but to court dis-LOCAL AND GENERAL

PASSED CANAL :- Glencarn, Feronia, and Antenor, Dec. 23; Stentor, Dec. 29.

The next AMERICAN MAIL, per the P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer City of Tokio, left Yokohama on Saturday, the 3rd inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 8th inst. next French Man, by the M. M. Co.'s steamer Djemnah, left Singapore for Saigon and this port on Saturday, the 3rd inst, at 4 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Saturday, the 10th instant.

The S. S. Ajaz left Singapore for this port on the 30th ult. The S. S. Castello left Singapore for this

port on the 31st ult. The S. S. Breconshire left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst. The S. S. Achilles left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst.

The steamer Glenlyon left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst. The S. S. Nagato Maru left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst.

The Mongkut will go to Kowloon Dock

DOCK MOVEMENTS:--

The H.M.S. Pegasus left Kowloon Dock Two more matches for the lawn Tennis Championship were played this afternoon. H. G. Rice beat C. S. Barff easily by two sets to love (6-0) (6-1,); and D. H. Mackintosh defeated F. Grimble by two sets to love (6-2) (6-1) Lieut, Jarrett (last

dicts a victory for Mr Coxon. But now let us look at what has THE Band of 'The Buffs' will play at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at

year's Champion) and Mr G. S. Coxon

will compete te-morrow, commencing at

4.15. An enthusiastic tennis player pre-

PROGRAMME.

OVERTURE Zampa, ... VALSE..... Gaieté. SELECTION. Princess Ida.'. . Sullivan 'Side by side to the) better land.'.... JNO. KELLY, Band Bergeant

says has created considerable excitement, is 26th ult. all was quiet in Corea. commanded by the Duke of Edinburgh, and is composed of the following ships-Admiral's Flag; Agincourt, Captain Mead, flying the Flag of Rear Admiral Whyte, second in command; Achilles, Captain Buller; Bultan, Captain Tracey; Northumberland, Captain Robinson; and Veptune, this sudden movement of the fleet was ordered simply to test its efficiency. The Channel squadron is not likely to be sent very far from its usual cruising grounds.

ABOUT a year ago the leader of the Black Flags, Liu Jung-fu, was one of the most prominent figures in military affairs in the Far East. He was 'famous' and 'redoutable 'and was the military chief who was to drive the French out of Tonquin. After the fighting at Sontai, however, his star rapidly set and lately little or nothing has been heard of him. Nevertheless he appears to have retained the Imperial favour, for decree is published in a recent issue of the Peking Gazette acknowledging the receipt of a memorial from Liu, in which he thank His Majesty for conferring upon him the title of Commander-in-chief. The decree also confers rewards upon certain of his followers who had distinguished themselves, these rewards including titles, and sums o advanced from the privy purse of the Empress Dowager.

WE are asked to state that the 'Snowdrops' Minstrels regret that they will no to-morrow night for children or civilians, the whole of the space being bespoken for connivance. soldiers and sailors. Over 400 of the former have announced their intention to In regard to the foreign drill of Chinese be a large contingent of Jacks. The perdiers and sailors, and it would be unfair to exclude any of them in order to admit other be suitable for children. As already announced, the proceeds of the entertainment will be handed over by the 'Snowdrops' to treat to the children of the Garrison.

S. S. Elsa some details of the fight which occurred between the French and Chinese troops near Chu, on the 16th ult., when the French force appears to have been taken by surprise. Two companies of the Foreign Legion and one company of Annamite tirailleurs left the fortified position at Chu on the morning of the 16th December, to ament. make a reconnaissance in advance of the an advance guard, had halted and stacked arms, and were busily engaged making their coffee, when, suddenly, a heavy fire was opened upon them by a large force of Chinese who were hidden in the brushwood on the surrounding hill-sides. The soldiers seized their arms and by order of their captain fell back upon the other two companies, after having lost fifteen men killed and twenty wounded. The wounded men were carried back to Chu.

a large number of Chinese to be in the neighbourhood, advanced with six compa-Chinese had disappeared. The French were found to be decapitated and mutilated. A number of rifles, of the latest Mauser pattern, were found upon the ground. just returning from a looting expedition to . a quantity of rice, and they preferred to leave some of their guns behind rather than their rice, of which they are greatly in

THE Chinese naval and military forces are never likely to distinguish themselves by bravery, patriotism, or even efficiency, so long as the systems on which the navy and army are organised are so full of flagrant abuses as they are at present. A striking instance of the utter rottenness of the Chinese naval system is afforded by a decree which appeared in the Peking Gazette on the 13th November. The Chinese commander-in-chief at Foochow when the engagement took place there to a hill five or six miles away, where he watch our men manœuvre their camels in fellow citizens, but it was felt that at least — You must pay the \$,1000 was secure from harm. Yet the following appears in the Gazette of Nov. 15th :---

need not be further considered.

parture for an unknown destination Reuter from Chemiulpo writes to us that up to the Chemulpo, in addition to the German gun-Captain Maxwell. It is very probable that boat Ittis, the American corvette Ossipce to which men and camels give vent. and H.M.S. Albatross, There was also a Chinese man-of-war at Masanfo. The Trenton left on Christmas day for Nagasaki, General Foote, U.S. Minister, leaving by her. No disturbance was anticipated-at-the-date-of-latest-advices until the-Japanese reinforcements should arrive. nothing being then known at Chemulpo of their movements.—N.-C. D. News.

An element of confusion has, says the Japan Mail, been introduced into the story of the | port of the Postmaster General (the Hon. recent disturbances in Koren by the fact that Binyeiyoku, or Ming-yong-ik, who was the first to suffer violence, is at one time described as a Progressionist, and at another, as a Seclusionist. The truth is that Ming-yong-ik used to be a Liberal, but. being a man wise in his generation, he concluded that, from a material point of view, the Conservative side was the better, and passed when the estimates were apso chose it. The Korean Seclusionists have proved of in the month of June last. largely the advantage of their rivals in point of numbers and wealth. There is no enemy so well hated as the enemy who was once a friend. Ming-yong-ik's old associates opened the campaign against their political opponents by 'going for him.' It is, therefore, a mistake to suppose that the assailants of the Post-Master General's guests were money amounting to. Tis. 5,000, which are Seclusionists. They were, on the conto the conclusion that the latter are chargeable with the inception of the trouble. To weeks ago some extent their actions may have been dictated by the necessity of anticipating a exchange is substituted in the new ordisimilarly violent course on the part of their | nance for the old table :enemies, but these are matters of conjecbe able to reserve any part of the Theatre ture. They commenced the disturbance. and by the King's aid succeeded in obtaining Japanese cooperation without Japanese

attend the entertainment,, and as leave has troops, an item in the Peking Gazette, dated been granted to the men on board all Nov. 2nd, says :- A Memorial from the H. M's ships in harbour, the e will likely Tartar General, Governor-General and Governor of Fuhkien. In the year 1864 a formance was got up specially for the sol- Fahkion Government for the initiation of stamps required for \$10,000 and \$15,000, persons. Besides, the hour at which the eral's command, 300 from the city garrison, a difference of 50 cents each way in the tained by plaintiff from his accountant and entertainment will take place would hardly 200 from the Governor's command, and 300 price of the stamps. He thought this paid to second defendant, it being underfrom the troops belonging to the Tartar rather strange. garrison. The foreign drill instructor havport, has this year been once more raised touched in every way. to 1,000 men, over whom 41 officers have The Hon. P. Ryrie said it seemed to him Kwan, no signature being attached by that in view of the long line of coast to be difference in amounts. defended in the neighbourhood of Sanchiang K'ou they have supplemented the not rather late in the day to discuss this. naval force there by 316 officers and men with the corresponding vessels and arm-

post. One company, which was formed into | The varying fortunes of the Great Eastern, says the Standard, have now destined that remarkable steam ship to perform the part of a floating hotel or clubhouse in connection with the Centennial Exhibition shortly to be held at New Orleans. The hugest to alter it. specimen of naval architecture the world has ever seen is to become a sort of annexe to an 'Exhibition,' to be explored on payment of an extra fee. Assuredly the monster is worth looking at, and even the Yankee must own that he has nothing of the sort so big. If the enterprise proves financially successful, the Shareholders in this day week. the Company may be congratulated. It is The next day, Colonel Donnier, believing a hard thing to get a dividend out of the Great Eastern, and those who have charge of her must necessarily exercise their ingenuity, in order to make a tolerable renies to the same place, but found that the venue. A few months ago it was announced report :that she was about to be stationed at Gibraltar, there to serve the ignoble purdead, who had been left upon the ground, pose of a coal hulk. The waters of the Mississippi have a kinder fate in store for her than this, and her service there will at least have some element of refinement about it. Moored alongside the precincts of the It is believed that the Chinese force was Exhibition, the giant ship will be an object of wonder, possibly of admiration. after hanging on at the New Orleans Cen.. the village of He-ha, where they had seized tennial, there is a revival of the coal hulk proposal, perhaps it may be worth while consider how far such a capacious hul could be made available as a moveable coal ing station in the event of war. The enemy might pounce on Aden, Hong-kong, or Singapore, but if the Great Eastern were allowed to retain her engines, she might easily give him the slip when sought for at her accustomed station.

> A RATHER interesting description of how our soldiers in Egypt are learning to man- (on the United Kingdom) and use Postal œuvre the camels is given by the special

correspondent of the Standard at Dongola:deavouring to sit their camels many of the by means of Postage Stamps. In the at six o'clock Major Gough takes out his stamps, and who affixes them to a form detachment to parade. They strike across supplied free at any Fost Office, is entitled route, dismounting rapidly—not always at than £200 a week in these little sums the exact time or manner required-engag- alone. It can hardly be said that it was on the first shot being fired he proceeded off again. And highly interesting it is to amongst a certain class of our younger military fashion. At first their lamenta- the attempt should be made. Whether ungainly beast of burden as a means of tion, or whether other attractions are too A Decree : Chang P'ei-lun lays before locomotion, instead of the clever little strong, certain it is that the ten-cent sys-Us certain facts he has ascertained regard. Arab horses they had left behind at Cairo, tem of saving does not seem to take hold . ing the conduct of the commanders and were general and genuine; but now the of the young here as the penny system officers of the steam vessels and war junks majority are more than reconciled to the does in England. Only \$65 has been thus engaged in the action at Pagoda An. change. They are beginning to discover collected since the Bank was opened. chorage, and requests Our sanction to the that even for short distances a good trotting. It was hoped that another year would treatment of these officers in various ways, camel can get over the ground at a pace not come to an end without the establish-First Captain Lu Wenching (Lee Bush) equal to the smart canter of an ordinary ment of an effective Parcels Post between when his steamer was struck by a shot re- horse; and for long marches with scant China and the United Kingdom. The subtreated forthwith, and as a mere sentence supply of water and inferior food the camel | ject has not been lost sight of and is unof dismissal would be insufficient to mark is superior beyond comparison. Moreover, der consideration. It is to be feared howthe measure of his ingratitude we com- he is developing a fair degree of intelligence. ever that one of the points always admand that he be sent into servitude on the Already he knows as well as his riders vocated by this Office-freedom from Cusmilitary post roads. Chien Ping-nan, many of the various words of command, toms interference-will not be secured. commodore in command of the war junk and at the word halt will pull up of a A considerable increase in the sale of contingent, displayed arrant cowardice and sudden like any veteran riding school stamps is due to the action of the San hypocritical deceitfulness; he will there charger. He wheels well; he trots well; Francisco Customs in seizing all the letters fore be forthwith cashiered. In the case and moves with such regularity that, when which Chinese passengers attempt to smugof Lin Ch'eng-mo, steamship lieutenant, a few hundred strong, a body of 'Camelry,' | gle in their baggage or about their persons. there are extenuating circumstances in as they are already called in camp, look not The return of 25,000 of these amuggled view of the fact that his ship was small a little imposing. But when ordered to letters from San Francisco by one steamer and he was wounded; his case therefore dismount the force becomes supremely created something like a panic in the Chiridiculous. First, officers and men have all pess Community.

The Channel Squadron, whose sudden de. A connessronneur who has received letters to imitate vigorously the gurgle by which their Arab masters were wont to request their camels to lie down—an uncouth The sound which the Anglo-Saxon throat ne-Secretary of the Japanese Foreign Office complishes with difficulty. Then there is a arrived there on the 19th make enquires, jogging and kicking of heels and roaring of Mindaur, Captain Britten, flying the Vice the 26th there were 170 Japanese soldiers lasts for a minute or so, until, one by one, of the Legation Guard at Chemulpo, but all have subsided on the ground, when the the one hand, and the enormous price charge. Un Man Kwan's evidence corroborated policy of the Ta-tsing dynasty must un- shares in unlimited companies from the none in Seoul; while there were 1,000 men get off, and discipline, silence, and Chinese troops in camp at the capital, as military decorum is restored. It is the month's supply sent to myself and many of plaintiff by sight. He did not press plain. nations will have to deal with a new set | ing business. There are one or two comwell as about 2,000 poorly drilled Coreans, same when mounting, and, indeed, one can and a number of irregulars. There were hear a mile away the Mounted Infantry exetwo Japanese men-of-war in harbour at cute either of these movements, so great least candles and lamps had to be used in Mr Baily, in his final address to the jury, strength it will rather extend than circum- doubtful whether they should not rather is the din and so loud are the complaints

> LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. All the members

were present.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S REPORT. The Colonial Secretary, by His Excellency's directions, laid on the table the re-A. Lister) for 1884.

THE ESTIMATES FOR 1885. The Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of a bill entitled 'An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$949,061 to the public service for the year 1885. He explained that the bill was intended to subtitute Ordinance 21 of 1884, which was As these estimates had been consider- O'Malley), instructed by Messrs Denny ably reduced, although some of the and Mosson, appeared for the plaintiff, and items had been increased, it was considered necessary to lay a new bill on well, represented defendants. The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and

he motion was carried. AN AMENDED STAMP ORDINANCE. The Attorney General moved that the trary, Progressionists. Everything points Council go into committee on the amended stamp ordinance, read a first time some

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The Hon. P. Ryrie point out that there a loan of \$3,000. Plaintiff said it would foreign drill instructor was engaged by the was a jump of \$1 between the price of the take some little time to get the whole of a (certain number of officers and men into respectively, while, though there was a get it if Cheong Chong became security for its the system of foreign drill, the force con- difference of \$5,000 in the amounts on repayment. The same day the promissory sisting of 200 men from the Governor Gen- either side of these amounts, there was only note was prepared, and \$2,000 was ob-

ing subsequently been discharged and sent | Schedule stood it was exactly the same as | note for \$2.000 was then made out, and was, back to his country, most of the men were | that which was settled when the bill was | translated, as follows :- 'Having now borwithdrawn, but 300 still remained who passed last year. This was a mere question rowed from the Hop Kee shop the sum of defray, the expenses of the New Year's were divided into two companies and drill- of re-arrangement. As it was originally \$2,000 in bank notes interest shall be ed regularly on the archery-ground attach- passed, it was found out in working not to be paid at the rate of \$15 per \$1,000 ed to the yamen of the Tartar General. very clear with regard to the \$5,000 addi-A correspondent in Tonquin sends us per This Force, the Memorialists have to re- tional at the end. The duties were un-

been placed, and the necessary equipment to be a little odd that that there should be Cheong Chong. Plaintiff, a few days after, of arms and accoutrements has been served a jump from \$2 to \$3, while on either side obtained a further \$1,000, from his accounout to them. They have further to report it should only be 50 cents for the same tant, and took it to the Wing Yee shop

> a member to make an amendment. lew months since the matter was settled, first day, and signed and chopped and he thought it would be a pity to make | Cheong Chong. Plaintiff had asked payarranged after so much consideration. was referred to various parties, and very fully gone into: and this arrangement was

adopted, and he thought it would be rather premature, unless the Council agreed to it. jection, and the bill was passed through he at first asserted that he did not know of

would move the third reading of the bill at The Council was then adjourned until

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S RE PORT FOR 1884.

An important extension of Money Order facilities has taken place, in the introduction of Postal Notes. For many years past Money Orders have been obtainable only at Hongkong or Shanghai. Residents at the other ports had to obtain them from one or other of these offices, which could not be arranged without a good deal of delay and trouble. Postal Notes on the ing from one shilling to twenty shillings. are now to be had at Canton, Swatow, Foochow, Ningpo and Bankow, besides Hongkong and Shanghai. At present both Money Orders and Postal Notes on the United Kingdom are on sale these two latter offices, but the Postal Notes effect such a simplification of accounts as compared with the Money Order system. that, during the present year, the question will be taken into consideration whether it not possible to abolish Money Orders

Notes only. An attempt was made, in connection with the Savings Bank, to introduce the The Commissariat officers and the Mount- system, so popular at home, of encouraged Infantry have enough to do. In en- ing children and others to save small sums latter have, perhaps, more than they can United Kingdom every child who can always easily accomplish. Every morning from time to time purchase twelve penny tions at being compelled to take to that pocket money is not a Hougkong institu-

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, 7th January, 1885. wrotched quality of the light afforded on against him. usual, whilst for a portion of the time at not know him. ing and other purposes!

are they uttered?

kong and China Gas Company is?

SUPREME COURT IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. Before Sir G. Phillippo, Chief Justice, a Special Jury). Wednesday, Jan. 7.

LEE KING TING T. UN MAN KWAN AND cheong chong. -84.455. The Attorney General, (the Hon. E. L. Mr H. M. Baily, instructed by Mr Cald.

The following gentlemen were empannelled as a jury :- Messrs G. R. Lammert H. Wicking, H. Foss, D. McCulloch, F. E. Foster, ii. R. H. Martin and A. Lovy, Mr John du Flon Hutchison was called, but did not appear.

This action was brought to recover the sum of \$3,000 as principal, and \$1,455 interest, said to be due to the plaintiff by the defendants on a promissory note given in September, 1881. Plaintiff's case was as follows: In his polition he was described as a merchant, residing in Hongkong, and carrying on business at Swatow under the name of Hop Kee, of which he was the sole partner. The defendant Un Man Kwan was a mercantile assistant residing in Hongkong, and Cheong Chong was a trader now residing in Hongkong, and lately carrying on business here as the Wing Yee Hong. On the 17th September, the second defend ant came to plaintiff and said his partner, Un Mun Kwan, was very anxious to obtain the \$3,000, but he would make efforts to stood that the remaining \$1,000 should be The Colonial Treasurer said that as the paid over in a day or two. The promissory month, the amount to be repaid with interest within two and a half months after date. The note was simply signed by Un Man and paid it over to Cheong Chong, and The Colonial Treasurer asked if it was words were added to the promissory note to the effect that a further sum of \$1,000 had The Attorney General said it was open to been received from the Hop Kee on the same terms. The note was then chopped The Hon. W. Keswick said it was only a by Un Man Kwan, he having signed the ment repeatedly, but had always been on off. He now claimed \$3,000 as principal, and \$1.455 as interest.

In giving his evidence, plaintiff said he was one of the promoters of the Lee Yuen Sugar Refinery Co., and was at present one of the Directors. He was the sole partner The Hon. P. Ryrie withdrew his ob- of the Hop Kee. In cross-examination, any other firms which carried on business The Attorney General gave notice he under the name of Hop Kee, but he afterwards admitted he knew the Hop Kee coal He never remembered asking Cheong Chong to take shares in the Lee

Yuen Co. He had not sued defendants before because they had always put him off. Chun Lo Sz, formerly accountant to plaintiff, said his master had four different styles, the Hop Kee, Yee Lung, and Yu The following are extracts from this Kee, and another name which he forgot. He had no partner in the Hop Kee, but he had partners in the other firms. Mr Baily said the defence was very plain and simple. The story of the defendants was that plaintiff, who had been well known

to Cheong Chong for 10 years, came to him about the 17th September, and asked him to take some shares in the Lee Yuen Sugar Refining Co., of which plaintiff was promoter. Cheong Chong replied that he had no money to take shares himself, but at plaintiff's request, he consented to ask is friends if they would take any shares. Among other friends, Cheong Chong went to Un Man Kwan and told him, as plaintiff had told Cheong Chong, that the shares were \$100 each, but the only call at first would be \$50 per share. After consideration Un Man Kwan said would take 40 shares, only he not have the money at the time: if Cheong Ohong would negotiate loan of \$2,000 he would take the shares. Cheong Chong thereupon went back to plaintiff and told him Un Man Kwan would take up the shares if he could get the money. Plaintiff, who, according to defendants' account, had occasionally done business in money lending before, said he would try and get the money. Later on he went to Cheong's Chong place and said he could get the \$2,000 from the Hop Kee, if interest at \$15 per \$1,000 per month was paid. This was agreed to by Un Man Kwan, and a promissory note was made out was, as our readers are aware, one Chang the Desert, and practise advancing in the Office Savings Bank, which receives more plaintiff. Then some difficulty arose about the payment of the money. About this time Cheong Chong was due plaintiff geveral thousands of dollars, and when he sent for the money the plaintiff replied Man Kwan out of the money that you owe to the Lung Kee,' the only, name which Cheong Chong had ever known plaintiff trade under. Of course, Cheong Chong demurred to this and he and plain the Chinese soldiers will not only be armed tiff had some high words. He then went with a good rifle, but will also have proper matters stood. Un Man Kwan said he must either get the money or the promissory note. Cheong Chong not wishing to have any disturbance did not press for the return of the note. The matter was

> were suddenly served with a writ. Cheong Chong, in giving his evidence. said he was formerly the master of the Wing Yee shop. He had no business now. and lived with a friend. He knew three firms named the Hop Kee, one in Bonham Strand West, another on the Praya (the charterer's) and a third was a foreign goods when the promissory was given that plain- keep open communications, garrison post-

firm than his own, which defendant had tions, and yet have adequate forces to paules that have lost has increased to never known under any other name master the Capital. athan the Lung Kee. He did not | The situation has been changed, and to taken from the local share-lists: but it is bring an action against plaintiff to observers of Chinese politics a new view to be feared that these quotations do not Sir, Is it not time that some protest or recover the promissory note, because begins to unfold. Within five years, per shew the real depreciation that would be united action be taken by the Gas con- he was due plaintiff \$10,000, and was haps sooner, there will be a large and | e en if shares were forced to sale. Many and left again on the 21st for Kobe. On camels, with English accompaniment! This sumors of this Colony in regard to the afraid a counter action would be brought powerful aggregation of unquier military of the prices are clearly nominal, the

some houses to supplement the gas for read- characterised the action of the plaintiff as scribe its frontiers. Whatever may be the have a negative value placed against them. a deliberate attempt to 'squeze' the de- upshot of the French operations in 1885, Have we not a local committee, and fendants. A very suspicious circumstance if any are undertaken. China will soon should it not form part of their duty to connected with the promissory note was the recover from any blow that may be inflictenquire into these complaints, which can addition of the \$1,000. If the loan was ed on her whilst still unready for the hardly help reaching their ears so generally originally \$3,000, why was not the notemade shock of war; and at no remote time Or is it not too much to expect a good of the plaintiff, when in the witness box, turbulent neighbour, so that the new article at a fair price from a Company man- under cross-examination, were also very French colony will require such large aged and constituted as our precious Hong- suspicious. He remembered all the circum- forces to defend it, that the poor revenues about the shares, whether Cheong Chong and military resources of the French owed him any money, or anything in fact Republic,

which might have gone against him. The jury found by a majority of six to one that no money had passed between the the offer of Mr C. Holcombe, late First parties, and judgment was accordingly entered for the defendants with costs.

Police Intelligence. (Before H. E. Wodehouse Esq.) Wednesday, Jan. 7.

· ALLEGED LARCENY ON BOARD SHIP. Ho Ashun, tailor, Chun Asam, barber, and Ting Asin, coolie, were charged with stealing a box containing \$215 in money, and cl thing &c. to the value of \$25 more. the property of an actor named Kwok Kwo Tai, on board the British steamer Louglas, on the 7th inst.

that he was the man who beat the big now to be settled between China and the amount of \$240. At 4 a.m. to-day he no doubt that the great rivers of Northern up on deck and there saw the three defen- be exhausted. By working the soil had just been stopped by the cook. The to get gold to repair her damaged finances. three defendants were follow passengers.

FLEECING A RETURNED EMIGRANT. Amui, widow, and Pang Wing Lin. a duct is very small, and the finding is done barber, were charged, the first with stealing | by outlaws and banditti. a sum of \$260 from one Kung Tso Nong. and the second and third with aiding and

abetting in the theft. returned from California and was living at | will in a year's time be adequate for the the Chung Yun shop in Wing Lok Street. defence of the province. But this pro-In the forencon of the 4th inst. he left his | vince is but one of eighteen, and to make lodgings to go to the Tai Shang shop with a the Empire secure the reforms and rebay in his hand containing \$250 in silver organisations must be thorough and comand a \$10 gold piece, which he was going | plets. The docility of the Chinese soldiers to remit to his native village. On the way is manifest, and already a distinct change there he niet the first defendant who asked for the better has been made. The troops he had any gold coin to change. Com- tridges, or rather sham cartridges, are being plainant said that he did not want to withdrawn and destroyed, and as the forces change any, but was, with some difficulty, are becoming mobile already the beginnings induced to go into a house close by to have of combination are possible. Even now an floor with first defendant. The third dangerous operation, as the invaders would, defendant was standing at the door, and perforce, have to guard their depôts and the second defendant and another man not lines of communication with large garrisons in custody were inside. First defendant and strong patrols. As a matter of opinion. asked him to sit down and gave him a cup I think the French could not take Peking of tea. The first defendant then asked him unless they landed at least three divisions. some questions as to where he was taking It will be necessary to leave little or the money and took the bag from his hands. Inothing to chance in the future.—N.-C. D.Third defendant had remained down stairs. | News. The first defendant opened the bag and then all began helping themselves to the money. Complainant seized the first defendant, and the second defendant and the other man ran away with some of the money in their hands.

Evidence was given as to the arrest of and two other constables; as also by Inspector Bremmer, who was on duty in the charge room when the first and second defendants were brought up.

The first defendant stated that complainant come there to gamble: that he lost part of his money and then made a row, Three previous convictions were proved against the first defendant, who was sentenced to six months' hard labour. The second prisoner, against whom there was a previous conviction for gambling, was discharged, and the third was committed for six months in default of finding security for 12 months' good behaviour in two sureties of \$25 each.

LARCENY FROM A DWELLING HOUSE. Cheung A Ip, a rice pounder, with three previous convictions recorded against him, was committed for trial at the Supreme Court on a charge of entering the house to, 375 Queen's Road Central and stealing refrom a blanket, value \$2, on the 7th inst. From the evidence of the complainainant, Chung Akai, a coolie employed in the Fu Lung tea shop, No. 375 Queens Road, the defendant was seen at 12,30 a m leaving the shop with the blanket in his hand. He appeared to have got into complainant's room by the roof. Complainant pursued and caught him.

Defendant was banished from the Colony on the 19th December last.

Tientsin.

The winter time here will be spent in Bank, which on 5 July accounted for 1 diligent examination of the military re- millions of the loss, are credited to-day sources of the province, and active measures | with a gain of very nearly a quarter of are being taken under the direction of Generals Lehmann and Pauli to systematize the armies, and to give power of movement, combination, and support for | value in the six months, there are in tooffence and defence, in case of invasion. day's list eight companies in that pleasant | OPIUM-New Patna, cash, ... 6071 As a matter of course, great abuses have position; they are as follows :-come to light, and beyond the naked fact that so many rifles have been bought during the last three or four years, and so many steel cannon supplied by Krupp, most of the foreign stores prove to be in some cases of inferior and in others of very bad quality, or indeed spurious. In future greater care will be taken, and as the arsenal is to be provided with much new machinery, the province will soon be able to make all the cartridges and exammunition.

As no invasion,-if indeed any has been projected, -can now occur before the next autumn, or, more probably, the spring of 1886, the continuous improvement in the then allowed to drop, and nothing more was which together number over 100,000 men, and some reports make out 120,000, will provide a bad reception for any enemy who may come. As for a division of French troops being ample to make an invading march to Peking, the notion is now absurd. . Such an inadequate force, if over a lowed to land, would be quickly surrounded and destroyed, and even a store. He had never known the plaintiff full corps d'armée would have a tough and trade as the Hop Kee, and he understood even be insufficient to make a landing,

spirits in the Empire, and the traditional difficulty in getting advances newadays on ... ed for it on the other? The bills for last Mr Baily's statement. He only know dergo revolution. In future, foreign local banks having a great effect in checkmy neighbours are considerably larger than tiff for the money or shares because he did of men, over whom the ancient ways have panies in the following list with a price no power, and as the nation feels its still quoted for them of which it is hardly out for that amount at once? The answers France in Tonquin will have a restless and stances which told in favour of his own will be swamped, and Tonquin will then case but he could not remember anything be an exhausting drain upon the financial

> Our winter promises to be mild. It is also enlivened by incidents. The last is Secretary of the U.S. Legation at Peking, who, on behalf of himself and some benevolent capitalists associated with him, proposes to lend five millions of pounds sterling to China at the moderate interest

of five per cent. per annum. The offer, however, is cumbered with some extraordinary conditions, and perhaps the Chinese have some saying equivalent to Timco Danaos. Possibly, however, it is Mr Holcombe's simplicity, and not Chinese inexperience that will be endangered.

We hear from Peking that the Commission for the delimitations of Hi-Kuldje have almost, if not quite, finished their Complainant's evidence was to the effect labours. Some territorial definitions have down in a theatrical company and was on Russia in the Amur region, in connection his way to Swatow and for that purpose he | with the Ousuri and Singari rivers. Some went on board the S. S. Douglas at 5 p.m. | new and passably rich gold-fields have been on the 6th inst. He had with him the found, which will probably add some new box in Court containing his property to elements of complication. There can be got up from where he had been lying, in the Asia, the Amur, the Lena, Yennessei, and tween decks, and found his box, which he Obi, flow through rich autiferous grounds, had placed beside him, was gone. He ran | which cannot, from their vast extent, ever dants with his box between them. They these vast regions Russia will be enabled The Chinese territory near the Amur, on The case was remanded till the 14th inst. | the Ousuri and Sungari, and, generally in Kirin, is also auriferous; but the officials throw up impediments to the exploitation Chun Akau, described as a doctor, Lai of the hidden riches, so that the gold pro-The German officers are busily engaged

and if the Chinese rulers can enforce the practical reforms and improvements that Complainant said he was a miner just are proposed, the Chinese army of Chihli im of he had come from California and if | drill well, their arms are good; bad cartalk. He entered a room on the first invading march on Peking would be a

16th December, 1884. Here the Chinese have 100 to 120,000 men, of whom Li has under his command 45,000 good men, well armed, and-in a sense-efficient troops, of quality not to be despised by any invading army. Every the prisoners by P. C. 512, Ordum Singh day sees more improvement. Positions are being thrown up and armed; carts are furnished to the corps for transport of food and ammunition: stores and munitions of war are being classified and placed in convenient positions, and made easy of access and distribution. The troops undergo strict drill, and the improvement is remarkable. The two German officers in direction are General Lehmann, and General Pauli Both are Majors of the Prussian army, and men of experience and competency.

Port Arthur is being strengthened, and all along the coast preparations are being made, without intermission, for defence. What is wanted is ready money, and trained native officers. But the Chinese do not despair, and as the spirit of the nation is good, reforms not before even allowed as open to discussion, are now not only posaible but even easy.

The river is open in many parts, and a ressel could come to Taku bar and unload and ship cargo without risk. - Shanghai

THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF

The tables of gain and loss on shares in ocal companies for the first six months of 1884, that which we published on 5 July last, shewed, says the Shanghai Courier. very heavy depreciation during that period the net result being a less of Tls. 2,670,000 We have now compiled a set of similar tables, and are sorry to see that they show again a very heavy depreciation, although the shares in the Hongkong and Shanghai annual reports of our specialists before we the fact that while on 5 July there were only three companies that had risen in

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can estimate the strictly commercial result Quotations. Hongkong, January 7. Old ,, cash, 5724 New Beneres, cash, 6021/32 Allowance, Taels 16 Old Malwa, credit,... 550 Allowance, Taels 36 Persian, Oily,..... 510/25 Allowance, Taels 08/16 Persian, Paper tied,... 610 Allowance, Taels 16 Exchange. Bank, Wire, Documentary 4 months' sight, India, Wire, demand. Shanghai, demand,... 30 days' sight, private 734 Gold Leaf 995 fine ... 828.20 Sovereigns, Temperature. Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises. Queen's Road,) Hokokowa, January 7. THERMOMETER—9 A.M....

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As before, we take no notice of companies that have not altered during the semester. or in which the alterations are too trifling

to be worth consideration. The total loss for the half-year then is Tis. 1,386,700 and the total gain Tis. 574,000, leaving a not less for the six months Tls. 840,000; which, added to the net loss for the first six months of 1884. Tls. 2,670,000 leaves a net loss for the whole year of over three and a half million taels. To this has to be added the unascertainable, but very heavy loss in companies not quoted in the share-lists, some exclusively native, some, such as one or two of the filatures, in which foreigners and natives are interested together. There is a farther heavy, but unascertainable, loss in real and leasehold property to be considered when making up Shanghai's balancesheet for the year. More than this again a large number of companies have paid no dividends for the half-year; the exact figures being, as nearly as we can gather

from the share-lists, as follows: 8188888888888888

So that we have to-day nearly three millions (at par) invested in companies that pay no dividend at all, the loss in dividends for the year being about Tls. 210,000. We may therefore roughly estimate the whole loss for 1884, the amount by which Shanghai is poorer now than it was on 1 January, 1884, as follows :--

Not loss on shares for first six months of 1884..... Not loss on shares for second six months of 1884,..... 840,000 Loss of dividends... Loss of (estimated) on Companies not quoted and on real and lease-hold property..... . 5,280,000

Net loss for the year Tis. 9,000,000 say £2,250,000 sterling, a very heavy blow for the small population interested in our local companies and our settlements. (The loss on property is taken at 30 per cent. on the assessments for Shanghai and Hongkow of 1882, and is certainly not over-estimated.) It is impossible that we can have any such amount of loss to quote this time next year. On 5 July we wrote, prophetically as it turns out, a peace, such as it is, has been made.' We may say to-day, 'the war, such as it is, is renewed:' let us hope that before long a peace likely to be permanent may be made, and that on 4 January 1886 we may be able to chronicle a material improvement 'all along the line.' We must await the

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Flag and Rig. Tons. Guns. H.P. Captain, Name. Where at. 1684 Captain Schanz Russian aviso Nagasaki Commander C. J. Barclay U. S. corvette Canton 3981 450 Spanish frigate Cantain Enrique Zubraga Cos'tan Dock French gunboat Commander de Jonquieres Formosa 4000 Commander Trève French frigate Matsou Atalanto. 6007 1200 5600 1400 14 Commander Parrayon French ironclad Formosa. Commander Boulineau Haiphong French corvette Chateau Renaud 3000 Shanghai Captain Accinni Cristoforo Colombo Italian corvette Macao Captain F. da Costa Cabral Da Estephania Portuguese corvette 1200 Commander Ferrat Saigon French corvette Captain Colombeaud Keelung D'Estaing French cruiser 3000 14 Captain Muret de Pagnac French cruiser Keelung 2000 Captain L. Fournier French corvette Commander A. S. Barker Shanghai U. S. corvette Enterprise 1000 Captain Koltchan Japan Saigon Ermak Russian transport Commander A. H. McCormick U. S. corvette Essex Commander O. W. Starck Russian gunboat Gornostai 420 430 German gunboat Lieut.-Commander Kötger Corea French gunboat Commander Fouet Haiphong ----828 Commander P. F. Harrington U. S. corvette Foodbow 6700 437 Captain Fleuriain 4500 14 French frigate Formosa Captain Debar French gunboat 100 Haiphong 400 Commander Bonnaiere French gunboat - Haiphong 6000 1375 Captain Grenquist Yokohame Russian frigate Monocacy U. S. gunboat Commander F. J. Higginson Foochow 400 Commander Moltsoff Vladivostock Russian gunboat Lieut -Commander Aschenborn Nautilua German gun-vessel South . 400 Commander Valrondt Russian gunboat Vladivostock 2300 Keeling Captain des Essarts 15 300 French corvette 5000 1400 Commander de Kerambosquer Keelung French troopship ·—-Cantain B. Ivashintzoff Russian corvette Yokohama Opritchnik 2100 Commander J. J. McGlinsey U. S. corvette Ohefoo | **\$06** 500 Shanghai Commander G. D. B. Glidden U. S. gunboat Saigon Haiphong Commander Thousens French gunboat Parceval -Commander Poidlous 20. Pluvier French gunboat _ 10 Prinz Adalbert 3980 1352 Captain Mensing 14 German corvette Nagasaki Captain Hiltebrand 12 Corea Russian corvette Razboinik French corvette Commander Richard Keelung _ 1700 Saone French corvette ___ Commander W. Monin Saigon 400 2030 Sobol Commander Boyle Russian gunboat Japan 18 2500 Captain von Nostite Stosch German corvette Swatow 410 2300 Captain Avila Portuguese gunboat Macao Tamega ---10 3000 U. S. frigate Captain R. N. Phythian Trenton Narasaki French irondad 4176 2400 Captain Baux Triomphante Taiwanfoo 1854 Captain Giuseppe Pelumbo Shanghai Vettor Pisani Italian man-of-war 3000 15 Hongkong French corvette Captain Vivielle 405 Commander Lapeyrein French gunboat On a cruise

1300

French corvette

Russian gunboat

Captain Gigon

Keelung

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MERCHANT STEAMERS. British British MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS. Ger. sch. For Sale Albatros Glenury Br. 3m. sch. Hak Lee Dan. bge. Hugo & Otto Norw. bge.

M. Doutschmann Ger. 3m. sc. ·FOOCHOW. In port on December 27, 1884 MERCHANT STEAMERS. British British MERCHANT BAILING VESSELS. Brit. bqe.

SHANGHAI. In port on January 3, 1885. MERCHANT STEAMERS. British El Dorado Chefoo, &c. Fei Yuan American American Fung-shun British London Glenarinev American Hae-an Hae-ting American British ... Hector

Hankow, &c. Hideyeshi Maru Japanese ** Kuchinotzu British American Kiang-teen American Kiang-tung · C'100 & T'tsin American Kiang-yü American Kung-pai British American · Kwanglee Hongkong British Laertes British Patroclus American Pautah Tientsin British Hankow. &c.

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W. Siegfried Brit. YOKOHAMA In port on December 27, 1884. Amer, sch. An. Cashman Black Diamond Ger. bge Felix Ger. Ger. Brit. Hans John Bunyan-Mary C. Bohm Ger. Ger. Brit.

Brit. Otsego Brit. Penelope Brit. Polynesian Wand. Minstrel Brit. Wm. H. Lincoln Amer. Wm. J. Rotch Amer. sh. HIOGO In port on December 15, 1884.

Queen Emma Brit. bae. Vigilant --Amer.—ali MANILA. In port on December 24, 1884 Amer. sch. Brit. bue. C. Robertus Ger. Brit. Earl Granville Evanell Amer, bqe. H. Litchfield Amer. bqe. Leucadia Brit. Mindora alı. Boston Brit. Nyassa Salacia Sarmatian Brit.

Brit.

Ger. J. D. Brewer Amer. bge. Lady Harewood Brit. bge. Mary L. Stone Amer. sh. Amer. sh Beaconsfield

Scotia

Amer. sh. T. E. Marshall Brit. bqe. BANGKOK, In port on December 20, 1884 Siam. boo. Ban Lee Siam. sch. Caroline Ger. Carl Ritter Ch'ron Kamrye Siam. bqs. Siam. Confucius Siam. Doretta . Siam. bqe. Eng Lee Envoy Siam. Siam. Falcon Foochow Siam. Golish -Siam. Heng Seng Siam. Hero

Siam. bg. Laid up Ho Soon Guan Dut. Kim Boon Host Siam, lug. Ger. Louise Siam. Brit. Maris Alfred Siam. - bg. Mercury Meridian Siam, sch. Pheenit -Princess SaraphiSlam. bog. Race Horse Siam. boe. Siam. Rapid S. Hameed Brit Siam. bge. Slam Siamese Crown Siam. Siam. bqe. Starlight Ta Hongkong Siam. Tek Li Brit Thoon Kramom Siam. bge. Tjiat Bie Dutch sch. Young Siam Siam. bge.

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